

Notice of Availability

**Public Comment
Period:
October 5 to
November 5,
1994**

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Public Comment Invited on Removal Actions at the INEL

The U.S. Department of Energy invites comment on two time-critical removal actions at the Test Area North, located at the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory. These removals mitigate potential risks associated with inhalation, ingestion, and dermal absorption of contaminated soils and materials to INEL site workers. Public comments concerning these removals will indicate the level of community acceptance, and will be incorporated into future removal actions.

1) Laboratory Bottle Disposal Site Removal, Operable Unit 1-03: In progress.

The excavation and cleanup of a laboratory bottle disposal site was completed in July 1994. The 10 x 10 x 4-foot disposal site contained bottles, metal cans, and a small amount of broken glass, wood, and other debris. Field screening and analysis of soil samples indicate that no hazardous or radioactive materials were present. All items removed from the site will be disposed of at the Central Facilities Area landfill, and the excavation site covered with soil.

2) Mercury-Contaminated Soil and Railroad Track Removal, Operable Unit 1-08: In progress.

DOE investigated two sections of railroad track at the Test Area north for possible mercury-contaminated soil. Field screening and soil analysis indicated that no remediation was required at one of the sites. Field screening and analysis of the second site indicated that removal of contaminated soil was necessary. The removal was initiated in August and is expected to be completed by the end of November 1994.

Additional Information/Information Repositories

Citizens may review the action memoranda for these removals in the Administrative Record sections of binders for Operable Units 1-03 and -08 contained in the Information Repositories listed below. Written comments concerning the projects may be sent to: Jerry Lyle, Acting Deputy Assistant Manager, Office of Program Execution, DOE Idaho Operations Office, P.O. Box 2047, Idaho Falls, ID 83403-2047.

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